

### SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Powdersville Elementary

Anderson 1

Grades: 3-5 Enrollment: 511

Principal: Debra T. Gill

Superintendent: Dr. Wayne Fowler Board Chair: Mr. Fred Alexander

#### **PERFORMANCE**

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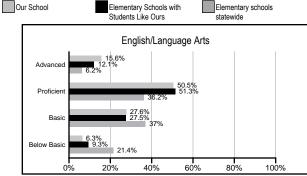
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Good	Below Average	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	Good	Good	N/A	Met	N/A
2006	Good	Average	Gold	Met	N/A

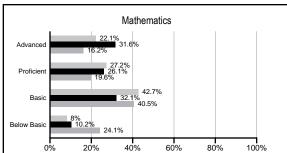
#### ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

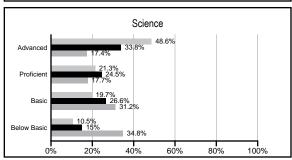
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
9	20	4	0	0

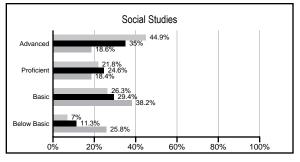
<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

#### **PACT PERFORMANCE**



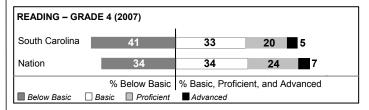


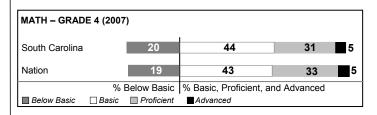


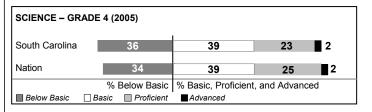


#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







#### SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

# Powdersville Elementary [Anderson 1] SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=511)				
Retention rate	0.8%	Up from 0.3%	1.5%	2.3%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Down from 96.9%	96.8%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	16.3%	Down from 18.7%	23.2%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	6.3%	Down from 6.8%	5.4%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=32)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	43.8%	Down from 60.0%	62.5%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	56.3%	Down from 76.0%	80.0%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	93.0%	Up from 91.2%	88.2%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 94.7%	94.8%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$40,583	Down 6.2%	\$47,734	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.9 to 1	Up from 21.4 to 1	20.0 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.4%	Up from 90.9%	90.4%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$6,078	Up 3.4%	\$6,498	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	62.6%	Down from 63.7%	70.5%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	58.4%	Down from 61.5%	65.1%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		100.0%	85.7%

<sup>\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	25	149	84
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.0%	85.7%	83.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	85.9%	91.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	86.6%	70.4%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of Powdersville Elementary in cooperation with parents, teachers, staff, students, and the community is to acknowledge the uniqueness of the individual, provide challenging and diverse educational experiences in a safe environment, and nurture a desire for learning as each individual becomes a contributing member of society. This mission is exemplified in our school motto, "Powdersville Elementary P R I D E: Producing Responsible Individuals while Developing Excellence." Character Education is essential in developing responsible students. Each day a new character word is introduced by our news anchors on our student-operated daily news program, WTLP (We're The Lion Pride network) and our teachers integrate those character words into their classroom instruction.

Our theme for the 2007-2008 school year was "Powdersville Dream Team: Go for the Goal". The entire building was decorated in a sports theme with footballs, baseballs, basketballs, soccer balls, and lots of pennants adorning the halls and classrooms. Students and parents were encouraged to join the game for learning and become part of the Powdersville Dream Team. Each teacher's classroom became "their own stadium," and students were greeted with their team assignments! The Powdersville Dream Team worked together and achieved great things this year! We were very proud to receive the Palmetto Silver Award for high achievement!

Our students excelled in the following other areas also: District Writing Contest winners and Lt. Governor's Writing Contest winner; eight students attended the AOP Regional Science Fair, and all received a Gold or Silver medal or Honorable Mention; over \$5800 was contributed to Jump Rope for Heart; students/ teachers/staff contributed to Pennies for Patients, BEAR Drive sponsored by SC Highway Patrol, Toys for Tots, and our own Lion's Share Christmas Project; Student Council contributed to March of Dimes through their Reading Champions Program and organized "care packages" and Valentines for local nursing homes; 4th and 5th grade Chorus performed for our school and area malls and nursing homes; Eighteen 5th grade strings students participated in the S.C. Solo Ensemble and received 21 superior ratings; third graders went Mining for Treasures, fourth graders enjoyed an Explorer Day and a Thanksgiving Feast, and fifth graders participated in a Wild West Day and a Hooverville Reenactment; Talent Show; Family Homework Help Night and Family PACT Night; Take-home Family Science Bags; and Basic Skills Enrichment Program, PACT Push Program, and YMCA After-School Program

The support of our incredible PTSO and SIC is invaluable to our school. Their volunteer and fundraising efforts are tireless and a wonderful model for our students. Our school could not be as successful without their support.

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